

A Man Who Has Been a Newspaper Reporter or a Policeman For a Term of Years Can Usually Spot a Lie Before It Is Half Told

CERNOVADA FALLS BEFORE TEUTONS AND BULGARS

Most Important Victory of Cernovada Campaign

PETROGRAD ADMITS REVERSE

German Commander in Control of Railroad From Danube to the Sea.

Berlin, Oct. 25.—Cernovada has been captured by the forces of Field Marshal von Mackensen, the war office announced today. The capture of the important railway point is considered of far more consequence than the taking of the Rumanian seaport of Caranzlia three days ago.

Petrograd, Oct. 25.—The Russo-Rumanian forces have abandoned the bridge over the Danube at Cernovada and have retired northward, the war office announced today.

London, Oct. 24.—Field Marshal von Mackensen's army of Bulgarians, Turks and Germans has tightened its grip on the railroad which links Rumania to the sea. From the Danube to Constantz, Rumania's only important seaport, the line is in control of the German commander. He does not hold the entire stretch of track. But he followed his capture of the port yesterday by taking Medjida today and by capturing Roshova which is not on the railroad, but is on the Danube not far southwest of Cernovada, where the line crosses that stream on the only bridge which spans it. So the line no longer is useful to the defenders of Dobrudja.

Furthermore, his troops on his extreme right are pursuing the retreating Russians and Rumanians, who have fallen back sixteen miles from Constantz, to Tzara Murat, which is northwest of the port. Capture of 6,700 Rumanian prisoners is announced.

Nor are the Rumanians faring much better in the Transylvanian Alps. They are offering more stubborn resistance there, it is true, but the Austrian and German troops continue to move slowly through the mountain passes. Berlin announced today the capture of Predeal, a Rumanian town, with 600 prisoners.

VERMONT IS HEALTHY

Infantile Paralysis Only Serious Affliction Present. Burlington, Oct. 23.—Vermont is pretty healthy at present, says Dr. C. F. Dalton, Secretary of the State Board of Health. "Aside from the 39 or more cases of infantile paralysis and some diphtheria, measles and whooping cough everybody is well. The opening of schools this fall failed to disclose any great trouble among the pupils aside from the usual colds which in the larger schools, at least are being well taken care of by medical inspectors and teachers co-operating with parents of the children."

"But 60 cases of measles were reported in Vermont during September two in Burlington among them. Of whooping cough there were 125 cases, mostly mild. This is 'some' different from the measles epidemic which came to this city just before the close of school last spring and continued the greater part of the summer."

A report from Massachusetts State Health Department came to the desk of Dr. Dalton this morning giving figures on infantile paralysis in that state. From January to October 15, the total number of cases was 1015. The disease is well scattered in Massachusetts.

A meeting of the Burlington Board of Health was held last evening when matters of interest regarding the work of the board were discussed. The new garbage collector, F. H. McCale, has nine men and as many teams collecting throughout the city, the material being hauled to his farm in Colchester by automobile truck nearly five miles away which is greatly appreciated, according to members of the board.

LINES PAY STATE TAXES

Rutland Pays \$137,625 and Central Vermont \$125,000.

Montpelier, Oct. 20.—Practically all the transportation lines in the state have paid into the state treasury the taxes assessed at the rate of one and one fourth per cent on the appraised valuation, the amounts paid being for the six months ending June 30. The Rutland road pays the biggest yearly tax, \$137,625, the Central Vermont being second with \$125,000. The Burlington Traction Co. pays \$4,812.50 and the Burlington Traction Co. on transmission lines \$6,250. The Champlain Transportation Co. pays \$6,250.

THE FORTNIGHTLY

Hallie Phillips Gilchrist To Read From Poets.

The next meeting of the Fortnightly club will occur Saturday afternoon, October 28th, at 3 o'clock at the Second Congregational church chapel. The afternoon promises to be one of unusual interest. Mrs. Hallie Phillips Gilchrist is to read poems from 18 of the modern American poets. Mrs. Gilchrist is a graduate of the School of Expression in Boston and taught elocution in a South Carolina college for five years. She is a member of the Poetry Society of America and the Poetry Fellowship and will read before both these organizations the coming winter.

One of the poems which she will read "The Poet in Gallilee" by Witter Bynner has never been published. Mr. Bynner has allowed Mrs. Gilchrist to read it and it is to be published in one of the magazines in December. Mrs. Gilchrist knows many of these poets personally and will tell some interesting things about them. All the members of the Fortnightly who enjoy poetry will be sure to attend this meeting and if there are any who think they do not enjoy it, the afternoon's entertainment may open up to them a new source of pleasure. Following is the program:

- "Haleyon Weather" Herman Hagedorn
- "Dawn In The Desert" Shaemus O'Sheel
- "He Whom a Dream Hath Possessed" "They Went Forth to Battle But They Always Fell" Burges Johnson
- "Bed Time" John Masefield
- "Day Time Naps" From "Good Friday" "Sea Fever" Witter Bynner
- "He Brought Us Clover Leaves" "Now O'My Mother" Edith Thomas
- "Eve" "Friends With the World" Edwin Markham
- "How the Great Guest Came" "A Friend of the Fields" "Wind on the Rye" Josephine Preston Peabody
- "The Harvest Moon 1914" Margaret Wildermore
- "The Old Road to Paradise" Sarah Teasdale
- "Dusk in War Time" Richard Le Gallienne
- "Songs for Fragoletta" Vachel Lindsay
- "General William Booth" "Enters into Heaven" "The Sun Says His Prayers" Thomas A. Day
- "The Old Apple Woman" "Between Two Loves" Amy Lowell
- "The Travelling Bear" Robert Frost
- "Mending Wall" Edgar Lee Masters
- "Spoon River Anthology" Joyce Kilmer
- "Old Poets" "The House With Nobody In It"

NORTH RUPERT

Peter Brooks has gone to Springfield, Mass. Edson Baker and family visited in Timmuth last week. Mrs. Elizabeth Wilkins has gone to Wells for a few days. Thomas Brooks has returned from Springfield and Holyoke, Mass. LeRoy Ware visited his sister in Bennington a few days last week. Ernest Ferguson and wife are entertaining relatives from Lacombe, N. Y. Frank Winchester is passing several days in Argyle, N. Y., the guest of his brother, Edgar Winchester. Mrs. Harold Leach and two children have returned to New York after passing the summer at the home of James Leach. Mrs. John Lake and sons of Manchester are at the home of Mrs. Lake's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Black, for a few days.

CLASSIFIED

LOST—Reward offered for return of keys lost Tuesday night. A. T. Schwartz. 211f

WANTED—To buy for cash old stoves, ranges, dressers, bed room suites and furniture of all kinds. Pratt & Hays, 132 North St. Tel. 369-W. 211f

FOR SALE—Parlor stoves, dressers, commodes, white iron beds and one upright organ. Pratt & Hays, 132 North St. Tel. 369-W. 211f

NOTICE—Highest prices paid for dressers, chiffoniers, couches, stoves and household goods. Pratt & Hays, 132 North St. Tel. 369-W. 211f

Lost—A pair of white, short, kid gloves at opera house Tuesday evening. Finder please return to Banner office. 211f

WANTED—Two teamsters, steady work for the right men. M. P. Lally, Williamstown, Mass. 211f

NORTH BENNINGTON

Mrs. Harrie C. White is ill with tonsillitis. Thomas Bovie of Hoosick Falls was in town Monday. Mrs. L. J. Rabner of Danby, spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. W. R. Mattison.

FRANCE REJOICING OVER VICTORY AT VERDUN

Territory Lost in Two Months Fighting Regained in Short Battle

PRISONERS NUMBER 3,500

Fort and Village of Douaumont and Four Miles of Trenches Captured.

Paris, Oct. 24.—Dramatically, the French broke the long monotony of deadlock at Verdun today by striking a blow which was at once the quickest and the most effective the Germans have suffered on that bloodiest of the world's battlefields.

All France is exultant tonight, and amazed. For in a day Gen. Petain's troops took the village and Fort of Douaumont, the Haumont quarries and penetrated the labyrinths of German trenches and dugouts, amounting in effect to fortresses, on a front of more than four miles and to a depth, at some points, of nearly two miles. More, than official statement adds that prisoners counted so far number 3,500 and the quantity of stores captured cannot be estimated. It concludes with the brief but significant sentence: "Our losses were small."

Fresh in every Frenchman's mind is the concentrated horror which followed the launching of the Crown Prince's drive at Verdun, when men fell on the slopes leading to Fort Douaumont until it became recognized as earth's greatest shambles. German losses alone were put at 30,000 before the fort was won by them. It is literally true that every yard of advance was paid for by hundreds of lives and days of ear-splitting hell. Yet in an advance which was not begun until almost noon the French won back before night an area which they were forced to yield only after two months of mauling. Today's gain corresponds almost exactly to all the French lost in the spring.

DORSET HOLLOW NOTES

Mrs. John Dalton is quite ill. John Dalton has a new horse. Walter Jones of Pawlet spent Sunday at his home here. Miss Elizabeth M. Kelley of Pittsford, spent several days at her home here recently. Mr. and Mrs. P. W. McLaughlin and Miss Bertha Cross were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Kelley. Paul White, who has been at Glen Farm for several years left Thursday for Toledo, Ohio where he has employment. Burton Harrington, who has been living in George Baldwin's tenement for several years has moved his family into his mother's house. Mrs. William Kelley, John and Clara Kelley carried Miss Elizabeth Kelley back to Pittsford last Sunday. They were also in West Rutland the guests of William McPherson who has been very sick, but is better now. Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Cross and Mr. and Mrs. Leon McAllister of Williamstown, Vt. motored here Saturday to Mrs. Cross' parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Kelley. They returned Tuesday accompanied by Mrs. Kelley who will stay in Williamstown for a few weeks.

BONDVILLE

Leo Slade, who has been working in Holyoke, returned home Saturday. Prayer meeting will be held Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Flora Burbank. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Styles and Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnson took an automobile trip to Chester Sunday. George Burbank is building a new blacksmith shop. He is assisted by Eli Williams of South Londonderry. The Ladies Aid society will meet Wednesday this week at the home of George H. Williams. Dinner will be served. Miss Josie Benson and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ellenburg went to New York on the excursion last Thursday. Miss Benson will work in B. A. Cushman's bakery. An automobile party consisting of Frank Rollin, F. D. Hayward, Zadoc Hayward, Mrs. Flora Burbank and Miss Olivia Burbank took a trip to Greenfield Friday. Invitations were recently sent around containing a small bag, request ing those who received them to send as many pennies as there were letters in their names and to meet at Grange hall Saturday evening last. There was a large attendance. Games were played, cake and coffee was served. \$50 was taken in.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

ALL MILLS LOSE GOODS

Petty Pilfering Hits all to Some Extent.

In connection with the stealing of goods from the Bottom & Torrance factory it is now believed that the pilfering has been going on for years in a small way and that some of the goods have been peddled out locally to people who would be much surprised to be charged with receiving stolen goods.

One local mill man told a Banner reporter last night that practically all mills suffer from this sort of petty stealing to a greater or less extent. People who buy mill products except through the mill office should make certain that the goods have not been stolen by some one who has access to the mill.

In the case at the Bottom & Torrance factory it is now believed that Vialut was the principal offender. Clark is thought to have taken things only when he was intoxicated and carried them to his boarding place at Fred Kendall's.

Mrs. Kendall supposed that the things were stolen and urged him to take them back and failing to induce him to do so planned to take them back herself, but did not quite get her courage up to the point of doing so before the case was discovered.

HALL IS LOCKED UP

North Bennington Fire Officers Have Resigned. In view of the fact that the foreman and the assistant foreman of our village Fire Engine Co. have resigned, and now for over a month no action has been taken by the company to appoint new officers, and no interest is shown in any way by the company in regard to this matter, that the village hall is frequently left with the doors unlocked and quite often even open, and complaints are continually coming to the trustees that the place is used as a rendezvous for dunks, who are non members of the company and in many cases not even citizens of our villages, we have decided in order to protect and safeguard the village property to lock up the village hall.

The key will be left with the Stark Paper Co., so that in case of fire those members of the fire company who are so disposed, and citizens who volunteer may readily get out and use the fire fighting apparatus. It is to be hoped that the fire company will wake up and appoint new officers and take some interest in this matter. With the present apathy of the company we are far worse off than we would be if we had no fire company at all, for then we might, before it was too late, fully realize how helpless we are in case of fire. The trustees earnestly hope that the company will speedily elect new officers to whom our village hall can be entrusted, and action will be taken so that we may have some adequate protection in case of fire.

M. M. Dean
H. A. Davis
J. E. Davis
J. E. Mosher
S. J. Tessier
W. B. Simmons
North Bennington, Vt., Oct. 25.

WOODFORD

Warwick Carpenter was in town Sunday. M. S. Knight was in Bennington Sunday. Frank Leroy of Searsburg was in town Sunday. Forrest Hager was in Bennington Saturday evening. Merrill and Dewey Cutler were in Bennington Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Holbritten of New Hampshire were in town Monday. Rev. P. L. Dow will hold services at the Union church Sunday at 3 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hall are moving in with Frank Boynton for the winter. George J. Knapp, John Bugbee, William Cudaby, and R. A. Higgins were in Bennington Saturday evening. Rev. Charles Mead, who has been spending two months at the "Park Cottage" has moved to Bennington. Wilbur Dutton of Rutland, dropped dead Friday afternoon while at his work for the Green Mountain Silo Co., in Rutland. Mr. Dutton was born in Dorset, October 9, 1848, he came to Woodford many years ago and spent 50 years here and then moved to Rutland where he has resided ever since. He was a carpenter and has worked for the Green Mountain Silo Co. for several years. About 1871, he married Miss Helen Cutler of Woodford, who survives him. He was Grand Master of the Odd Fellows lodge of Rutland. Mr. Dutton was well known in Rutland and Woodford and the people of both places were sorry to hear of his sudden death. Besides his widow, he is survived by two brothers, Melvin of New York City and Andrew of Rutland and his sister, Mrs. Hattie Bixby of Rutland. The funeral was held from his home in Rutland Monday at 10 a. m. The burial was in Woodford and the services at the grave were conducted by the Odd Fellows Lodge of Rutland.

GREEN MOUNTAIN VALLEY

Oscar Chandler is improving in health. Grant Bronson was in Bennington Saturday. Mrs. Lauretta P. Saunders is much improved in health. W. O. Burt is making improvements to his farm buildings. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harbour entertained guests recently. Miss Emmeline Stratton visited in Bennington Saturday. Harmon Becker has returned home from Port Ethan Allen. Mrs. Myron F. Stratton is recovering from her recent illness. Miss Lydia Mattison and brother Ira, were in Bennington Tuesday. Arthur A. Collins of South Shaftsbury was in Bennington Saturday. There will be no service in Green Mountain Valley next Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mallory entertained a week end guest from Bennington. Chris Jepson dressed seven fine pigs Tuesday and sold them to Isaac Leander, Bennington. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith are rejoicing over the arrival of a little son weighing 10 lbs. Mrs. Solomon Niles and Master Frank Corey were in Bennington Saturday by auto. Lowell Waite and Buel Harrington were driving in the Valley Saturday and calling on friends. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harvey and son spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Stratton. There was a service at the Green Mountain Valley school house last Sunday, conducted by Rev. Thornton P. Turner. Park Mattison of Albany has been in the place recently to see his mother who is boarding with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Green. Frank G. Russell and wife and Ernest Harrington and wife were guests of relatives in Cambridge, N. Y. Sunday going by auto. The many friends of Deaconess Mary Thelton, who labored so incessantly in this community and Maple Hill, are saddened to know her health will not permit her to be among us again. We hope she will soon regain her health.

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REPORT CARRANZA TO BE ON HIS WAY OUT OF MEXICO

Republic Becoming Too Turbulent for De Facto First Chief

WIFE ALREADY IN TEXAS

War Department Officials Convinced Provisional President is Losing Control.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Charges that Carranza is preparing to leave Mexico are being made freely by his political opponents in Mexico city. They are based upon his decision to leave Mexico city for Queretaro, and the fact that Mrs. Carranza already has crossed the border into the United States, accompanied by the wife of her husband's War Minister and chief supporter, Gen. Obregon. Many War Department officials have privately expressed their conviction that the de facto Government or at least Carranza's personal control of the political situation, was growing weaker steadily.

FUNERAL OF CHARLES NOLIN

Services This Forenoon at Church of Sacred Heart. The funeral of Charles Nolin, who was found dead at his home on Gage street Sunday morning, was held from the Sacred Heart church this morning at 9.30. High mass was celebrated by Rev. Father C. E. Prevost, and burial was in the new Catholic cemetery. The bearers were N. Longtin, L. Bergeron, J. Menest, P. La Franchise, L. Bellmore and A. Ratelle.

Among the out of town attendants at the services were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Carpenter, Mrs. George Carpenter and Mrs. Harry Marden of Keene, N. H. Mr. and Mrs. T. Rolland and Edward Rolland of Adams, Mass. J. A. McCarty of Burlington, J. H. McCarty of Westbury, R. L. William Blodgett and Carl Blodgett of Greenwich, N. Y., and Charles Klein of Windsor. Charles Nolin, who was a man of a quiet and unassuming disposition, was born in St. John's, Canada, 74 years ago. He had lived in Bennington for about forty-five years. His wife was Philomena LaMarre, sister of A. C. and Leon LaMarre. He was in the lumber business until he retired several years ago. The survivors are two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Blodgett and Miss Amanda, one son, Charles A., and a sister, Mrs. T. Rolland of Adams, Mass.

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READSBORO

A. B. Clark has returned from a business trip to Boston.

Miss Hazel Day of Monroe Bridge was a guest in town Friday.

Miss Eva Shumway of Monroe Bridge was in town Friday.

Miss Mary Dix of Whitingham is working for Mrs. F. S. Wellman.

Miss Helen Darrow spent the week end at her home in Bennington.

Elmer Reed of Springfield was the guest at F. M. Sprague's over Sunday.

Miss Grace Bishop of Stamford has been spending a few days with relatives.

Henry and Lester Pratt of Jacksonville were in town Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Annie Lenhoff was the week end guest at her home in North Adams.

C. M. Billings of North Adams spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Billings.

Miss Mary Baruzzi is attending Bliss business college in North Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Billings were business visitors in North Adams Saturday.

William Ragosse has been spending a few days with his parents in Shelburne Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Reed of Jacksonville were the guests of relatives here Friday.

Ernest Lewis has finished working for F. W. Slusig. Charles Bean is taking his place.

Mrs. Joseph Duperrault has returned from a week's visit with relatives in Springfield.

Miss Annie Barre of Wilmington has been spending a few days with relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Franchere of North Adams were the guests of friends over Sunday.

Alphonse Bechard has purchased the farm belonging to Frank Horton and has moved there.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas of Middlestown Springs, were guests of relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blanchard and Mrs. Anna Taintor enjoyed an auto ride to North Adams Saturday.

Mrs. Harold Plumb and little son of Sherman, spent Monday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. M. D. Hicks.

Mrs. F. E. Sawyer and daughter, Eleanor, have returned from the Adirondacks, after spending the summer there.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Pope, Misses Helen A. Leonard and Yvonne Dube motored to North Adams Saturday.

Mrs. George Sears and three children, Misses Dorothy and Harriet Kingsley of Whitingham were business guests here Tuesday.

Mrs. Myra Loiselle of Dexter, Maine, has joined her husband and are spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Minnie Loiselle.

Dr. Charles A. Eastman, a Sioux Indian, delivered a lecture in the Masonic hall, Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Ramona Camp Fire. Dr. Eastman lived among his people until he was fifteen years of age. He is a graduate of Dartmouth college and Boston University. Much of his time has been spent in government employ as a physician to the Indians and later as selecting names for the Sioux Indians who had given up their reservation. He is an author of wide distinction and stands at the head of his race. This was an unusual treat to the people of this vicinity.

Mrs. Louis Jangrow died Saturday afternoon at the North Adams hospital following an operation which she underwent a week ago. Mrs. Jangrow was born in Canada, is a well known resident of North Adams where she has many relatives, and has been a resident here for a number of years. She was a woman of sterling character and her death is deeply regretted by all who knew her. Besides her husband, she leaves seven children, Rose, Albert, Mary, Louise, Alvina, Arthur, Felix and Francis; five sisters, Mrs. Emma Beaudelin of Boston, Mrs. Virginia Dupre, Mrs. Joseph Bissillon, Mrs. Fred Bissillon and Mrs. Felix Lavigne, and three brothers, Joseph, Felix and Dominica Gamache all of North Adams. The body was taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. Felix Lavigne at 8 Rand street and the funeral was held at 10 o'clock Monday morning from the Notre Dame church. Burial was in the family lot in Southview cemetery.

WEATHER FORECAST

For eastern New York and western Vermont cloudy tonight and Thursday. Warmer tonight.

WEST SHAFTSBURY

Mrs. Clayton Reed, who has been visiting in Troy for the past few days, returned home Tuesday night.

HUNTER SHOOT GUIDE

Mistakes Him for a Deer and Aims With Deadly Accuracy. Utiaca, N. Y., Oct. 23.—Walter G. Gelsehen of Manhasset, L. I., yesterday shot and instantly killed Alec White 43, a guide for the Adirondack League club, at Little Moose lake. Gelsehen had a companion were placed on a run while White and another guide went up the mountainside to drive. As they came down Gelsehen saw the guide, mistook him for a deer and fired. Death was instantaneous.

NORTHFIELD FIRE ONE WOMAN DEAD HOTEL BURNED

Other Guests of House Escaped in Night Clothes

HOTEL COMPLETELY DESTROYED

Loss of \$40,000 on Hotel While the Judkins Block Was Badly Damaged.

Northfield, Oct. 24.—Mrs. Emma Benjamin of Boston, was burned to death and property valued at more than \$40,000 was destroyed by fire this morning in the Northfield house, the blaze being stopped in the Judkins block adjoining the hotel. It was rumored this morning that a man was also missing, but he was later found in Montpelier. Gallant work by the volunteer fire department aided by a heavy water pressure saved the Northfield Savings bank block. Larry Burns was rescued from a perilous position by the firemen. As he was attempting to go through a window the ash fell on his hands and he was suspended in the air until the firemen could place a ladder and removed him. The fire apparently started in the kitchen, although the cause is not known. The wooden hotel, three stories in height, was built many years ago and the flames spread with great rapidity, the whole interior appearing to be ablaze when the firemen arrived. There were about 30 persons in the building at the time and it was at first reported that several of these were missing. The body of Mrs. Benjamin, who had a room on the third floor, was found in the iron work of her bed in the cellar. It is thought she suffocated. Mrs. Benjamin's home was in Boston, but she came to Northfield last spring to visit, stopping at the hotel. She lived with a daughter near Boston, who is the wife of a Harvard professor. She was a sister of James and Henry Clough of Northfield. Practically all of the persons in the building were obliged to leave in their night clothing, the temperature being below the freezing point, but they were soon cared for at nearby stores. The loss on the hotel is placed at \$25,000 while that on the Judkins block will probably reach \$8000. Property valued at \$150,000 was endangered, including State Tax Commissioner Plumley's office. The records of this and the bank were moved out but the fire department put out the fire before it crossed the hallway in the Judkins block. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

PROGRAM ARRANGED.

For North Bennington's Entertainment Course.

The entertainment course under the auspices of the North Bennington Village Improvement association, has become an established feature of the social life of the village. It has been successfully conducted for three seasons, and this year the committee has something to offer the citizens, that far exceeds any former course. From year to year, as the interest has increased, higher priced companies have been presented, until this season of 1916 and 17, the course from the Eastern Lyceum Bureau of Boston will cost about one hundred dollars more than the one given the first year.

There will be five numbers with datings quite evenly distributed through the winter, a great advantage over the Chautauqua's with so many entertainments crowded into the same week. Season tickets are now on sale, as the opening number the "Eastern Glee quartet" will be on Oct. 30. This will be followed by "The Pierces" on Nov. 21; the "Venetian Trio," Jan. 3; "The Stockholm Concert company," Feb. 23, and for the closing number, a dramatic lecture by Robert Parker Miles on March 22.

Many from surrounding towns avail themselves each year of this wonderful opportunity to enjoy five high class entertainments for so small a sum. The price of the season tickets remains the same as in previous years, \$1.25.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

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